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'Exceptional performer' gets stripe



photo by Staff Sgt. Steve Horton

Master Sgt. Joseph Richardson, 50th Space Wing Financial Management office, recently earned a visit by the commander of Air Force Space Command. Gen. Ralph Eberhart, AFSPC commander among his other titles, made the trek to Schriever

Air Force Base Sept. 10 to honor Richardson's achievement as an exceptional performer. Richardson received his master sergeant stripes on the spot and his pay increase on the same day.

Air Force won't repeat past mistakes

Tech. Sgt. Scott Ellicott
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — The Air Force's top officials pledged Sept. 17 that the service would not repeat the mistakes of strategy that led to the nation's greatest single loss of life on a battlefield — a battle which took place more than a century ago.

Secretary of the Air Force Dr. James G. Roche and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper made their remarks during an Air Force re-enlistment ceremony at the Pentagon. Fifty-four airmen took part in the ceremony, symbolizing the service's 54th birthday.

"I don't think you could have picked a more momentous time to re-enlist," Roche said. "Today marks the 139th anniversary of the (Civil War) battle of Antietam. What's interesting about that battle that's timely for today is it remains the greatest single loss of American life in battle."

Of the roughly 23,000 casualties, about 3,000 Americans lost their lives. Many of those losses were because of mistakes in leadership.

"It was an example of not understanding the technology of war," Roche said. "War had changed, but the leaders didn't know how to adapt to new technology. They didn't know how to adapt to how war had to be fought (in those conditions) compared to the way they'd always done it."

Roche said that the terrorist attacks Sept. 11 were a wake-up call to America's military of today.

"It's a signal that war in the future will not be like war in the past," Roche said. "But unlike the officers of Antietam, this Air Force is open. It's willing to listen. It believes in challenging up and recognizes that many of you are the key to our future."

Roche said Air Force leadership needs to rethink how aerospace power will affect the future of war — a war that is protracted, and one where there's no other air force to take on.

"There is no canopy-to-canopy thinking," he said.

Noting the Air Force's relatively short history compared to America's other armed forces, Jumper reflected upon the service's heroic past.

"We've made our mark," he said. "We grew up with heroes — astronauts, aces and Medal of Honor winners. And we have our heroes from the 11th of September."

Those heroes include Air Force Reserve Maj. Leroy Homer, a pilot aboard hijacked United Airlines Flight 93.

"We know there was a struggle aboard that aircraft," Jumper said. "We like to think that people in uniform tried to retake control of that aircraft and save many more lives on the ground."

"Those heroes, and the heroes who gave their lives in (the Pentagon), the World Trade Center, the firefighters and policemen, are all with (us) today," he said. "They are waiting to judge our actions. Will they be worthy of the sacrifices that have been made? Not for retribution or revenge, but for justice — justice that's borne of a righteous cause."

"As the president of the United States said, 'this is not for the short-term, but the long-term'," Jumper said. "The heroes that are (here) today will approve."

OSI...Eyes of the Eagle

SA Jim Mowry
Commander, AFOSI Det 803

Until recently, most people living in America felt safe from harm. The nightmare that befell the eastern seaboard shocked the world and caused an entire nation to mourn. The entire surreal scenario appears to be a horror novel - playing out before our eyes. The problem is...we’ve got a long way to go before we finish the book and no one knows how it will end.

The reality of the situation is we’re not invincible. The threat has proven it can come from any direction...at any time. It can be as small as a letter bomb or as large as a commercial airbus. They’ve proven they can hit us with organized, simultaneous attacks and they can be very patient...waiting for just the right moment to strike. The only way to stop them is to find the threat early, identify all the players, and stop them before they execute their plan. OSI has the stick for this responsibility in the Air Force.

This fact may surprise some of you. Most Air Force personnel think OSI only conducts investigations when in fact, we support four different command priorities: solving violent crimes impacting the Air Force, combating threats to our information systems and technology, detecting and deterring acquisition fraud, and most importantly in this case, exploiting counterintelligence activities in support of force protection.

This means we use every tool available to collect and analyze information, which will help us find “threats” to Air Force personnel and resources. Whether in a deployed environment or the perceived safety of a home base in the states, OSI’s primary responsibility is to be off the base, beyond the safety of the wire, searching for any and all clues to help us track down individuals who mean you harm. That’s why our command motto is “Eyes of the Eagle.”

However, we need your help. We do not know whether the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon were isolated attacks. They have proven to the entire world, they are a patient, well-organized threat. Did they act alone? Certainly not. Are there others still around waiting for their chance to make the evening news? Quite possibly. Are any living is the Colorado Springs area and do they intend to target Air Force families and/or military targets? I wish we knew. However, there is hope and it depends on you.

Every man and woman serving and supporting the Air Force can join our ranks and become the “Eyes of the Eagle.” Our special agents are aggressively pursuing each and every lead, tracking down suspicious activity. However, we don’t have enough “eyes” to do it alone. We and the citizens of this beautiful city need you to be on the lookout for any and all suspicious activity. This could be a car or a van that you know doesn’t belong in the area. It could be the way a group of foreign nationals avoid eye contact or go out of their way to not capture someone’s attention. It could be an overheard discussion in a restaurant or bar where someone is asking about the security of an Air Force base or Army post. It could be when a foreigner in a bar doesn’t want to show anyone valid photo identification. It could simply be the man who is standing in one place too long, watching (surveilling?) military activities or security entry procedures. If you see anything strange where the players don’t look right, or you get a feeling in your stomach that tells you something isn’t as it seems, call us, 24/7.

When you make your observations, make sure you capture some critical information about the person or the event. Write down the vehicle make, model and color if you can. At a minimum, try and get a license plate. Write down a good description of the individual to include: clothing, hat, hair color and length, skin tone, glasses, facial

hair, tattoos, jewelry, etc. This will aid in our ability to quickly respond and pursue the facts.

I would like to cover one other important note. Even though the ethnicity of the terrorists in this case was “Arabic” and/or “Middle-Eastern,” it does not mean every person of that ethnic background is a terrorist. Remember what happened to the Japanese citizens in the United States after the attack on Pearl Harbor? Ethnicity does not define the character within. It’s the behavior that should send off warning signs. Focus on the behavior and keep a watchful eye.

Finally, I can’t overstress “reporting” suspicious activity. Since the attacks on the east coast, hundreds of witnesses have come forward and told the FBI they saw someone acting suspicious two weeks ago or saw a group of suspicious men gathering at a house back in July. Some of these “suspicious” men have now proven to be some of the terrorists involved in the commercial high-jackings. If only we had known then what we know now.

The truth is the terrorists didn’t come into our country unnoticed. They didn’t disappear from society. They lived among us for, quite possibly, extended periods of time and blended into our society. Hundreds of people saw and interacted with them on a daily basis. The only problem was most people talked themselves out of reporting “odd” behavior because it would be silly or trivial to report such minute oddities. Only now do they realize the consequences of doubting whether the information was import.

I promise you that no call to our office is trivial. We aggressively pursue every call because we want to make sure nothing bad happens on OUR watch, to OUR family, in our OWN backyard. We do not believe the crisis is over. We believe a real and credible threat exists with us today, within the very borders of our country and we need your help in finding them. If you see, or hear, ANYTHING suspicious, on or off-base, day or night, call the Security Forces or OSI. On Peterson AFB, call the CRIME STOPPERS hotline, 556-4357, and your information will get directly passed to an OSI agent. On Schriever AFB, call Central Security Control, 567-5642, or AFOSI Detachment 807, 567-5049. God bless you and God bless the United States of America.

Concerns addressed through hotline

Q. I really thought Friday (Base Picnic) was very well prepared and seemed like a lot of people enjoyed themselves. I do have a suggestion that I hope will be considered.

I was surprised the security forces had a display where they allowed individuals to shoot real world weapons with blank ammunition. It’s not the display that shocked me; it was the direction that the display was presented. The weapons were aimed and fired in the direction of the crowd. I know there are certain protocols that should always be taken when handling a real weapon and feel the weapon should not have been aimed at the crowd.

A. Thank you for bringing this to our attention. Our purpose in setting up this display was to educate our people on the weapons used to protect them and our mission resources. But you are correct—we could have done a much better job in setting up the display location and

directing how the weapons were handled. In the future we will definitely ensure the weapons demonstration/display is away from the main crowd area, is focused in a safe direction and weapons are handled correctly. Should you have any further comments or questions, please contact Senior Master Sgt. David Lycan or Master Sgt. John Vialpando in the 50th Security Forces Squadron at 7-2077.

Q. I have recently been assigned to the Space Warfare Center and have attended all the mandatory SWC and 50th Space Wing in-processing meetings. In none of these meetings was there any mention of the policies that pertain to eating at the Satellite Dish. I had to go through quite an ordeal to get my lunch ‘to-go’ recently and think the dish policies should be brought up sometime during in-processing.

A. Thank you for the opportunity to address policies and

procedures in the Satellite Dish dining facility. Customer satisfaction is a top priority, so we appreciate your comments and feedback. Your suggestion to include Satellite Dish information during newcomer orientations is a great idea. We will include a fact sheet on the dining facility hours of operation, customer eligibility and take-out policy in future welcome packages and we’ll ensure the information is covered during in-processing. Some specific information: all military, Department of Defense civilians and contractors are authorized to eat in the dining facility—and there is no plan to change that. Due to cost of paper products, the take-out option has been limited to mission essential individuals who must bring their meals back to their work center. We are working with the Satellite Dish manager on some options to expand the carry-out service. Watch for additional updates in the base bulletin and newspaper. Again, thanks for the opportunity to pass on this important information. Please contact the Satellite Dish manager, Patrick Moore at 7-3287 or 7-2204 if you have additional questions.

CC urges to keep focus on mission

Col. Larry James
Commander, 50th Space Wing

The terrorist events of last week impacted all of us, whether through relatives, friends or acquaintances that were there, or through impacts to our daily routine here at Schriever. But through it all, the men and women of Schriever AFB responded heroically and professionally. Our Security Forces and Civil Engineers have been working at max effort to protect the base and continue the mission. Our communications personnel ensured that nothing went down, and we had all the connectivity we needed. Our operations squadrons didn’t miss a beat, continuing to execute their mission and provide warrior capabilities around the world. Tenant organizations on Schriever understood the new security measures in place and adjusted to new requirements. In the days and weeks ahead, we will be challenged, and the threat will not go away anytime soon. However, this is why we put on the uniform or work for the military-to be there when our nation needs us and execute the missions we’ve been trained to do. I urge you to keep your mission focus, look out for each other and be vigilant. Justice will be served by our great nation, and you will be critical to making that happen-Team Schriever is ready.

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Secretary, chief recognize Air Force’s 54th birthday

James Roche and Gen. John Jumper
Secretary of the Air Force and Air Force
Chief of Staff

Within two short years following victory in World War II, our nation’s leaders confronted a dramatically new strategic and technological environment. The global alliance against fascism had yielded to Cold War, and new weapons systems introduced in the previous conflict promised to fundamentally change the nature of warfare. At the same time, our own defense budget and military manpower shrank considerably as our people turned from wartime military mobilization to peaceful domestic pursuits. Our armed forces, which were organized so successfully to defeat the Axis powers, were faced with a more complex set of roles and missions. In short, it was a time - much like today - that demanded innovation, vision, and transformation.

President Truman rose to that challenge when he signed the National Security Act of 1947, creating our contemporary defense establishment, including the United States Air Force. Since that time, the men and women of America’s Air Force have ceaselessly and selflessly mastered the challenges of a changing world. From the heroic airlift in Berlin to the awesome displays of global vigilance, reach and power in DESERT STORM and ALLIED FORCE, and from peacekeeping missions in the Balkans to humanitarian operations in Africa, America’s Air Force has enabled aerospace power to serve the cause of peace and freedom.

In the past 54 years, our airmen have served with an extraordinary combination of integrity, selflessness, and creativity across the spectrum of operations. Whether standing on guard for deterrence in Europe or Asia, conducting joint combat operations, helping to make the Expeditionary Aerospace Force succeed, or manning our logistics

and support functions at home, no one comes close.

We pause on the 18th of September to remember the day our great Air Force began this journey. We pause to reflect on our mission and our purpose, especially in light of the recent attack on our nation. We are extremely proud of the service and contributions of America’s Air Force men and women—your vigilance and response was quick and purposeful, potentially limiting the extent of this terrible tragedy. Airmen everywhere will now move forward to meet the challenge of today’s threat. We extend our heartfelt best wishes and Godspeed to our world class team of active duty airmen, Air National Guardsmen, Air Force employees, and Air Force reservists, retirees, veterans and their families as we commemorate the Birthday of the United States Air Force.

How can you help?

WASHINGTON-- Department of Defense officials say they have been inundated by donations of goods and funds, and they want to make sure people are sending their donations to reputable charities. Below is a list of organizations DOD officials recommend individuals contact to make donations to assist survivors of those killed in the Sept. 11th attack on the Pentagon.

- Air Force Aid Society, Sept. 11th Attack on America Fund, (703)-607-3073
- Army Emergency Relief Society, Pentagon Victims Fund, (703) 325-0463
- Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society, Pentagon Assistance Fund, (703) 696-4904
- Federal Employee Education and Assistance Fund, (303) 933-7580

Officials asked that anyone wishing to make donations not call the Pentagon Family (Casualty) Assistance Center. “That number is reserved for families,” a DOD official said. Consumer advocacy groups are also warning of several scams that are taking advantage of Americans’ outpouring of generosity in the wake of the tragedies.

Experts have received several reports of individuals receiving “spam”- type mass e-mails soliciting donations for survivors of the attacks in New York and on the Pentagon.

The Coalition Against Unsolicited Commercial E-mail, a non-profit consumer protection group, said a typical message might contain the phrases “Express Relief Fund” or “Victims Survivor Fund.” “Virtually no bona-fide relief agencies request funds by sending e-mail to people who are not already involved in that agency,” the group cautioned in a news release.

ATWIND... Schriever got into it

1st Lt. Veronica Prado
50th Support Group

This year Air Force Space Command decided to try something new. The objective: to get the base populous involved with not only Services activities but other activities that do not get a lot of attention. If you ask people where the HAWC or Family Support Center is located, many people would scratch their heads. Because of ATWIND, we increased awareness in these activities.

All Around the World in Ninety Days

proved to be successful. Not only did Schriever dominate AFSPC, we reached 100 percent of the base populous playing within 23 days. The game finally ended Aug. 31 at midnight. With Buckley and Vandenberg as our biggest competitors, we pushed our players to more than 200 percent.

The program would have not been successful without the support of the base personnel. On Aug. 17, Schriever collaborated to put on the ATWIND Family Fun Day Base Picnic. The picnic was enjoyed by all personnel and their families. Local

ATWIND sponsors made the picnic a memorable one. Coca Cola provided free soda, TYSON brought free chicken, and Phil Long FORD at Chapel Hills hosted a test drive including the Escape and Mustang. Other ATWIND sponsors, USAA/Sprint & Earthlink, Sprint PCS and Lockheed Martin were located at ATWIND headquarters. People visited the sponsors to obtain information and most importantly to get game pieces. Children enjoyed the inflatable jumping castle while their parents became “sumo wrestlers.”

As the contest came to a close, so do

the memories. Thank you Schriever for making our base #1. ATWIND will be back next year. Many people will win t-shirts, Service’s gift certificates and possibly a car. This year’s big winners were Lt. Col. Dan Jordan who won a \$1,000 instant prize, Master Sgt. Kevin Cooper who won a vacation trip from US Airways and \$500, and Staff Sgt. Robert Robbins who won a computer from Compaq. We met our goal: to acknowledge other activities that exist on Schriever. Congratulations to all winners and TEAM SCHRIEVER!

NEED TO KNOW

Family Support Classes

Classes are held in the Family Support Center classroom, 135 Dover Street, Bldg. 350, Room 1016 (unless otherwise specified). Registration is required for all classes. To register, please call the Family Support Center at 556-6141 or stop by Rm 1016.

Sponsorship training. Tuesday, 7:30-8:45 a.m. This training high-

lights sponsor responsibilities, relocation resources available both on and off base and the effect that sponsorship has on the overall mission. Training is required for all sponsors of military and civilian employees.

Resume review class. Tuesday, 9-11 a.m. In order to take full advantage of this class you must bring a draft copy of your resume. The employment team will coach you on ways to improve your product in order to secure the job you have targeted.



Legal Blotter

Article 15:
The Legal Office processed four Article 15’s this month. Offenses included Article 86 for Failure to Go, Article 92 for Dereliction of the BOA Card, Article 107 for Making a False Official Statement, Article 128 for Assault and Battery, Article 132 for Fraud Against the U.S., Article 134 for Purchasing Alcohol for a Minor.

Discharges:
The Legal Office processed four administrative discharges this month. All four discharges were for Minor Disciplinary Infractions with a General discharge.

Miscellaneous:
The Military Justice Office provides two monthly UCMJ briefings every second and fourth Monday of the month, in Bldg 300 Rm 133 at 0800hrs. Under Article 137 UCMJ, if you have re-enlisted for the first time or have just completed 6 months of active duty, you are required to attend a mandatory UCMJ briefing at the location listed above.

Legal Advice
Power of attorneys, wills, living will and medical durable power of attorneys: A power of attorney allows a person that you designate to take care of your affairs in your absence. A living will allows doctors to remove life support if you have an injury that is not recoverable. A Medical Durable Power of Attorney allows you to designate a person or persons to make the decision to remove life support should you get an injury that you can’t recover from. If you do not have these important documents, make an appointment with the legal office at 567-5050. Having these documents is the only way that you can assure that your wishes will be followed in the event of your death or that your wishes are followed in the event that you become hurt or incapacitated. If you have questions about this or any other legal matter, don’t hesitate to call the legal office. *(This column written by Capt. Elizabeth Shifrin)*

Job orientation. Thursday, 1-2:30 p.m. This class gives a brief overview of information on the local job market and how the Family Support Center can help your job search.

Children’s Hopes & Dream-wish Fulfillment Foundation

We are currently looking for children at Schriever who might qualify for a ‘dream’. Any child between 4 and 17 with a life threatening illness is eligible to apply. Second ‘dreams’ may be available. There is also a Pen Pal program for children 5 through 17 with any chronic or life threatening illness, condition or disability. Contact the main office for more details at 973-361-7366 or by mail at Children’s Hopes & Dreams-Wish Fulfillment Foundation, 280 Route 46, Dover, NJ 07801.

Speech Class

Pikes Peak Community College is offering a Principles of Speech Communication class here at Schriever AFB. The class will be taught in Bldg. 210 (OSF) Rm. 214 Monday, Wednesday, and Friday (1100 - 1250) each week from 22 Oct through 14 Dec. If you are interested contact the PPCC office at 574-1169 or the Peterson Education office at 6-4064. For more information, please contact MSgt Glenn of 50 MSS/CCT at glenn.john@schriever.af.mil.

Briefings

The Military Equal Opportunity Newcomers Briefing and First Duty Station classes scheduled for Sept. 12, is rescheduled for Wednesday. FDS from 8 a.m. to noon at the FTAC, and Newcomers Briefing Monday,1-2 p.m. in the base auditorium.

PME schools graduate members

- The Peterson Air Force Base Airman Leadership School and Noncommissioned Officer Academy recently graduated the following base members.
- ALS**
Luis Aguilar 50th Support Group
Cory Beebe 2nd Space Operations Squadron
Jamie Gaston 17th Test Squadron
Jason Jaworski 1st SOPS
Joseph Johnson 11th Space Warning Squadron
Leon Lala 3rd SOPS
Marcia Robertson (**Academic Achievement Award & Distinguished Graduate**) 50th Communications Squadron
Geneva Rose (**Levitow winner**) 11th SWS
Christopher Rowand 50th CS
Wesley Stewart (**Distinguished Graduate**) 3rd SOPS
Johnna Smith 50th Security Forces Squadron
Spriridon Tsitsilianos 1st SOPS
NCOA
Albert Herrington 18th Intelligence Squadron
Christopher Montague Space Warfare Center
Elizabeth Kessler 2nd SOPS
James Laster 3rd SOPS
Richard Leon 3rd SOPS
William Klumpp 4th SOPS
David Wells 4th SOPS
Jeffrey Wood 50th CS
William Cranata Air Force Element

Academy looking for MTLs

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., — A continuing requirement exists for Military Training Leaders at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Military Training Leaders are mid-level noncommissioned officers who fulfill a vital role in the personal and professional development of cadets as they pursue their education and commission.

MTLs serve as a mentor, coach and role model for the 100 to 115 cadets in their cadet squadron. While the day-to-day operations of cadet squadrons are run by Academy upperclassmen, the MTL and Air Officer Commanding oversee all aspects of cadet life.

MTLs at the Air Force Academy are entrusted with significant responsibilities such as:

- * Advising and assisting the squadron Air Officer Commanding with maintaining standards, good order and discipline,
- * Assisting cadets with their adjustment to military life,
- * Advising and counseling cadets on personal & professional matters,
- * Planning, designing, and conducting instruction using the demonstration - performance and lecture methods
- * Providing guidance to cadets on matters of followership, leadership, military drill & ceremonies, customs and courtesies, self-discipline, and personal appearance.

To qualify, interested NCOs must be a staff sergeant or technical sergeant with between eight and 15 years time in service and possess outstanding interpersonal skills, display military appearance and bearing that is above reproach, and have a desire to shape the future of Air Force through its future leaders.

For more information, please see the Equal Plus advertisements for job numbers 235308 (staff sergeant) and 235309 (technical sergeant) on the Air Force Personnel Center’s AMS website, or contact Chief Master Sgt. David Krecklow at DSN 333-9612 or Senior Master Sgt. John Western at DSN 333-4030.

AFAS assists with ‘Attack on America’ fund

Staff Sgt. Amy Parr
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — After the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, the Air Force Aid Society stepped in to lend a helping hand.

The “September 11 Attack on America Fund” was started to help Air Force people and their families.

This fund was created to assist people stranded around the world because of limited airline service, said retired Lt. Gen. Mike McGinty, Air Force Aid Society chief executive officer. It is also intended to

help family members of victims with travel expenses so they can attend the bedside of injured people or funeral and memorial services.

People who need assistance should contact their first sergeants or their local family support center. People away from an Air Force base can contact the nearest Army Relief Society, Navy-Marine Corps Relief Fund or Red Cross. Assistance is open to all Air Force people and their families and provided on a case-by-case basis.

McGinty said 100 percent of all money donated to this fund will go to help

troops. People who wish to send a donation by check or cash should mail them to: Air Force Aid Society Headquarters, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 202, Arlington, VA 22202.

People who wish to contribute by credit card should call (800) 769-8951 or (703) 607-3064.

Active-duty and retired people may also contribute to the fund by allotment. To contribute only to this fund, finance offices must be told to send the money to the “September 11 Attack on America Fund.”



Recruiting works at Schriever

Staff Sgt. Jennifer Thibault
50th Space Wing Public Affairs

Schriever welcomed a new addition to its many prized airmen, however this wasn't her first look at the Air Force operating in space fields.

Airman 1st Class Mary Taylor, 2nd Space Operations Squadron, paid a visit to Schriever once before when she was in the Delayed Enlistment Program.

When she reports for duty, there is a familiar face among the strangers—Master Sgt. Terrence Dyrhaug, 50th Operations Support Squadron.

Dyrhaug, chairman of the Schriever Recruiting Committee, scheduled a tour for local residents enrolled in DEP with all the SOPS, security forces, fire department, etc., Taylor was one of those residents.

Taylor, a college student, watched her friends graduate from school and still waiting tables. "I was already doing that while I was in school," she said. The job market wasn't the only thing scaring Taylor, "I also didn't know what to study. I was changing my major every semester," she said. This uncertainty led Taylor to fall back on her upbringing. Her father, a Navy officer, had always encouraged her to consider the military. Now Taylor decided to take in all of her options and had one foot in the door to enlist with the Navy when her father assured her that her test scores were good enough to join the Air Force. "My father said they treated their enlisted members good." This cross-service support surprised Taylor, who originally was interested in the Air Force but felt family ties would want her to join the Navy.

So now that the service was decided, Taylor had to pick a job. "I originally wanted to be an airborne communicator, but my vision wasn't up to par," she said. Every Wednesday her recruiter would invite a member from a different career field to speak to the DEP members. One Wednesday the recruiter arranged a tour here at Schriever. Enter Dyrhaug.

"Mary came out on a tour in June 2000 that I arranged for approximately 20 high school students," said Dyrhaug. During the tour of the different units, Taylor was able to talk with members from the various units on base. "I was really interested in a fun and exciting job that would transfer well to the civilian world if I decided the military wasn't for me," she

added. Taylor narrowed it down to security forces or satellite operations. "They both looked fun." Taylor went on a drive along with the security forces at the Air Force Academy and spent some time with the 1C6s and then made an educated decision. "I really wanted to be a part of the space career field. Plus none of my college friends were flying satellites," she said. And so it was done. Taylor enlisted in March and is now a ground systems operator.

"It's been a great experience so far," Taylor said. "It seems like the people out here volunteer for fundraisers and participate in a variety of events."

"I recognized her right off," said Dyrhaug when he first saw Taylor at Schriever. "She looked real proud in her green flight suit." Dyrhaug said welcoming her back to Schriever was a nice change. "On most tours when the students depart, you never hear what happens to them. So when I saw Mary transformed from civilian clothing to military, it felt good to see her again, now as one of us."

Seeing Dyrhaug was a welcome sight to Taylor as well. "It helped knowing some people when I came out here. I felt more accepted and it was easier to adjust," she added.

Since being out here, Taylor has had no regrets, "I've made the best friends of my life out here." The military has definitely changed her life though. "I feel more disciplined than before," she said. "I strive to do my best in everything—I really want to do a good job."



Master Sgt. Terrence Dyrhaug welcomes Airman 1st Class Mary Taylor back to Schriever Air Force Base, this time as an active duty member.



Airman 1st Class Mary Taylor, at left, said that the community atmosphere has been one of the things she likes the best about the Air Force. "It seems everyone gets involved more," she said.



Combined Federal Campaign History

The Combined Federal Campaign began in 1961, as the result of requests from Federal employees to eliminate the disruption of year-round on-the-job solicitations by charitable organizations. The objective was to provide an effective, convenient and efficient once-a- year campaign that would serve the charitable needs of all Federal employees. President Kennedy, by Executive Order, directed that the Office of Personnel Management develop a once-a-year workplace campaign for all Federal employees, including the military services and the U.S. Postal Service.

The CFC was established as a

“designation campaign” and offered donors the convenience of using pay-roll deduction for their charitable contributions. The Combined Federal Campaign requires that all participating charitable agencies apply annually for inclusion in the campaign. The agencies must demonstrate to a committee of Federal employees that they maintain sound fiscal management, exhibit high integrity of conduct, and service the community as a human health and welfare organization. From the list of agencies, donors may designate their donations, confident that the charity utilizes its resources properly and conducts its services

with a high degree of competency.

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